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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DRUG DEPENDENCE

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1. THE CONFERENCE INITIALLY PROPOSED BY THE EMBASSY IN ITS 18498 WILL BE HELD IN ROME MAY 5 - 7. CALLED THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DRUG DEPENDENCE, IT WILL BE PRINCIPALLY CONCERNED WITH THE LATEST RESEARCH, TECHNIQUES AND DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELDS OF DRUG PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION. LAW ENFORCEMENT ASPECTS OF THE DRUG PROBLEM WILL NOT BE DEALT WITH EXCEPT AS THEY RELATE TO THE RECENTLY ENACTED ITALIAN DRUG LAW.

2. THE CONFERENCE IS BEING ORGANIZED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL AND ADDICTIONS (ICAA) IN COLLABORATION WITH THE U.S. NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA) AND THE CENTRO PER LE MALATTIE SOCIALI (CENTER FOR SOCIAL DISEASES) OF THE CITY OF ROME. NIDA IS MAKING A GRANT OF \$34,000 TO ICAA TO COVER EXPENSES OF SPEAKERS AND OTHER EXPERTS WHOSE PRESENCE HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR BY ICAA.

3. ABOUT 200 - 250 ITALIA HEALTH OFFICIALS, DOCTORS,
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PSYCHIATRISTS, EDUCATORS, JUDGES, LAWYERS AND OTHERS CONCERNED

WITH DRUG ABUSE IN ITALY WILL ATTEND. APPROXIMATELY 35 FOREIGN EXPERTS, INCLUDING 14 OR 15 FROM THE USA, WILL BE PRESENT. ATTENDANCE BY FOREIGNERS, ASIDE FROM INVITED EXPERTS, IS BEING DISCOURAGED AS THE CONFERENCE IS INTENDED TO ASSIST ITALIANS CONCERNED WITH DRUG ABUSE AND BRING THEM UP-TO-DATE WITH THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS ELSEWHERE IN THIS FIELD.

4. THE CONFERENCE WILL BE FORMALLY OPENED BY ITALIA MINISTER OF HEALTH. AMBASSADOR VOLPE PLANS TO ATTEND OPENING CEREMONIES.

5. COPIES OF AGENDA WITH SPEAKERS BEING POUCHED. VOLPE

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